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Readers are referred to the cautionary notes regarding <u>Forward-Looking Information and Non-IFRS Financial Measures</u> at the end of this release. All figures are expressed in Canadian dollars, except as noted.

Great-West Lifeco reports fourth quarter 2015 results and increases dividend by 6.1%

Winnipeg, February 11, 2016 ... Great-West Lifeco Inc. (Lifeco) has reported net earnings attributable to common shareholders of \$683 million or \$0.688 per common share for the three months ended December 31, 2015 compared to \$657 million or \$0.658 per common share for the same period in 2014.

For the twelve months ended December 31, 2015, net earnings attributable to common shareholders were \$2,762 million, compared to \$2,546 million for the same period in 2014, an increase of 8.5%. This represents \$2.774 per common share for the twelve months ended December 31, 2015, compared to \$2.549 per common share for the same period in 2014.

Consolidated assets under administration at December 31, 2015 grew to over \$1.2 trillion, up \$149 billion from December 31, 2014.

Highlights

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- Lifeco declared a quarterly common dividend of \$0.3460 per common share payable March 31, 2016, a 6.1% increase from the previous quarter.
- Lifeco sales in the fourth quarter of 2015 of \$39.0 billion were up 81% from the same quarter in 2014:
 - Canada sales were \$3.5 billion, up 5%, *reflecting solid sales across all lines of business*.
 - Europe sales were \$3.9 billion, up 24%, reflecting strong pension and savings sales across all regions.
 - Great-West Financial sales were US\$15.5 billion, up 287%, driven by an increase in large plan sales in Empower Retirement.
 - Putnam gross sales were US\$8.1 billion, down 12% overall. Institutional sales increased 28%, while mutual fund sales decreased by 32%, reflecting the decline in industry flows in the segments where Putnam operates.
- Lifeco maintained a strong ROE of 14.7% based on net earnings.
- Lifeco's capital position remained very strong. The Great-West Life Assurance Company reported a Minimum Continuing Capital Surplus Requirements (MCCSR) ratio of 238% at December 31, 2015.
- Lifeco announced today its intention, subject to the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange, to increase the previously announced normal course issuer bid limit from 8 million common shares to 20 million common shares.

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OPERATING RESULTS

Consolidated net earnings of Lifeco include the net earnings of The Great-West Life Assurance Company (Great-West Life) and its operating subsidiaries London Life Insurance Company (London Life) and The Canada Life Assurance Company (Canada Life); Great-West Life & Annuity Insurance Company (Great-West Financial) and Putnam Investments, LLC (Putnam), together with Lifeco's Corporate operating results.

CANADA

The Canada segment of Lifeco includes the operating results of the Canadian businesses operated by Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life, together with an allocation of a portion of Lifeco's corporate results. The three primary business units included in this segment are Individual Insurance, Wealth Management and Group Insurance. Lifeco provides accumulation, annuity, life, disability and critical illness insurance products to individual and group clients.

Net earnings attributable to common shareholders for the fourth quarter of 2015 were \$262 million compared to \$300 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2015, net earnings attributable to common shareholders were \$1,195 million compared to \$1,228 million for the same period in 2014.

Total sales in the fourth quarter of 2015 of \$3.5 billion were up from \$3.3 billion in the fourth quarter of 2014. The increase in sales reflects strong Group sales in mid-size and large case markets, continued strength in participating life sales and solid Wealth Management sales in segregated funds, proprietary mutual funds and single premium group annuities. Total sales for the twelve months ended December 31, 2015 were \$12.6 billion compared to \$12.2 billion for the same period in 2014.

Total Canada segment assets under administration at December 31, 2015 were \$166 billion compared to \$161 billion at December 31, 2014.

UNITED STATES

The United States operating results for Lifeco include the results of Great-West Financial, Putnam and the insurance businesses in the United States branches of Great-West Life and Canada Life, together with an allocation of a portion of Lifeco's corporate results.

Great-West Financial, through the Empower Retirement brand, provides an array of financial security products, including employer-sponsored defined contribution plans, administrative and recordkeeping services, individual retirement accounts, fund management and investment and advisory services. Great-West Financial also provides life insurance, annuity products and executive benefits products. Putnam provides investment management, certain administrative functions and distribution services through a broad range of investment products.

Net earnings attributable to common shareholders for the fourth quarter of 2015 were \$125 million, reflecting Great-West Financial net earnings of \$84 million and net earnings of \$41 million for Putnam, compared to \$89 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2015, net earnings attributable to common shareholders were \$409 million compared to \$306 million for the same period in 2014.

Great-West Financial sales in the fourth quarter of 2015 were US\$15.5 billion, up from US\$4.0 billion in the fourth quarter of 2014, primarily due to an increase in large plan sales. Approximately 50% of the in-quarter sales increase related to two new clients with approximately 140,000 participants. Sales for the twelve months ended December 31, 2015 were US\$43.2 billion compared to US\$15.3 billion in 2014, an increase of 182%.

Putnam average assets under management for the three months ended December 31, 2015 were US\$151.2 billion compared to US\$157.2 billion a year ago, a decrease of 4%, primarily due to net asset outflows and the impact of negative markets. Compared to the prior quarter, Putnam's ending assets under management increased by US\$1.7 billion. Net asset outflows for the fourth quarter of 2015 of US\$1.2 billion were comparable to the same quarter in 2014, reflecting strong institutional flows of US\$1.1 billion, an increase of US\$3.0 billion from the same quarter last year, more than offset by net outflows for mutual funds due to a decline of flows in the overall mutual fund sector.

Total United States segment assets under administration at December 31, 2015 were \$808 billion compared to \$697 billion at December 31, 2014.

EUROPE

The Europe segment comprises two distinct business units: Insurance & Annuities and Reinsurance, together with an allocation of a portion of Lifeco's corporate results. Insurance & Annuities provides protection and wealth management products including payout annuities, through subsidiaries of Canada Life in the U.K., the Isle of Man and Germany, and through Irish Life Group Limited (Irish Life) in Ireland. Reinsurance operates primarily in the U.S., Barbados and Ireland, and is conducted through Canada Life, London Life and their subsidiaries.

Net earnings attributable to common shareholders for the fourth quarter of 2015 were \$303 million, up 11% compared to \$274 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2015, net earnings attributable to common shareholders were \$1,174 million compared to \$1,038 million for the same period in 2014.

Insurance & Annuities sales for the fourth quarter of 2015 were \$3.9 billion, compared to \$3.2 billion a year ago, an increase of 24%. The increase reflects higher sales across most product lines in the U.K., Germany and Ireland. Sales for the twelve months ended December 31, 2015 were \$19.5 billion compared to \$12.4 billion for the same period in 2014. The increase was primarily due to higher fund management sales and higher sales across most other product lines as well as the impact of the acquisition of The Equitable Life Assurance Society's annuity business in the first quarter of 2015.

Total Europe segment assets under administration at December 31, 2015 were \$238 billion compared to \$205 billion at December 31, 2014.

LIFECO CORPORATE

The Lifeco Corporate segment includes operating results for activities of Lifeco that are not associated with the major business units of Lifeco.

Lifeco Corporate segment's net loss attributable to common shareholders was \$7 million in the fourth quarter of 2015 compared to a net loss of \$6 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2015, the net earnings attributable to common shareholders were a net loss of \$16 million compared to a net loss of \$26 million for the same period in 2014.

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS

At its meeting today, the Board of Directors approved a quarterly dividend of \$0.3460 per share on the common shares of Lifeco payable March 31, 2016 to shareholders of record at the close of business March 3, 2016.

In addition, the Directors approved quarterly dividends on:

- Series F First Preferred Shares of \$0.36875 per share;
- Series G First Preferred Shares of \$0.3250 per share;
- Series H First Preferred Shares of \$0.30313 per share;
- Series I First Preferred Shares of \$0.28125 per share;
- Series L First Preferred Shares of \$0.353125 per share;
- Series M First Preferred Shares of \$0.3625 per share;
- Series N First Preferred Shares of \$0.1360 per share;
- Series O First Preferred Shares of \$0.108578 per share;
- Series P First Preferred Shares of \$0.3375 per share;
- Series Q First Preferred Shares of \$0.321875 per share;
- Series R First Preferred Shares of \$0.3000 per share; and
- Series S First Preferred Shares of \$0.328125 per share

all payable March 31, 2016 to shareholders of record at the close of business March 3, 2016.

For purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada), and any similar provincial legislation, the dividends referred to above are eligible dividends.

GREAT-WEST LIFECO

Great-West Lifeco Inc. (TSX:GWO) is an international financial services holding company with interests in life insurance, health insurance, retirement and investment services, asset management and reinsurance businesses. Lifeco has operations in Canada, the United States, Europe and Asia through Great-West Life, London Life, Canada Life, Irish Life, Great-West Financial and Putnam Investments. Lifeco and its subsidiaries have over \$1.2 trillion in consolidated assets under administration and are members of the Power Financial Corporation group of companies.

Basis of presentation

The consolidated financial statements of Lifeco have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and are the basis for the figures presented in this release, unless otherwise noted.

Cautionary note regarding Forward-Looking Information

This release may contain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates" and other similar expressions or negative versions thereof.

These statements may include, without limitation, statements about Lifeco's operations, business, financial condition, expected financial performance (including revenues, earnings or growth rates), ongoing business strategies or prospects, and possible future actions by Lifeco, including statements made with respect to the expected benefits of acquisitions and divestitures. Forward-looking statements are based on expectations, forecasts, predictions, projections and conclusions about future events that were current at the time of the statements and are inherently subject to, among other things, risks, uncertainties and assumptions about Lifeco, economic factors and the financial services industry generally, including the insurance and mutual fund industries. They are not guarantees of future performance, and the reader is cautioned that actual events and results could differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements. Material factors and assumptions that were applied in formulating the forward-looking information contained herein include the assumption that the business and economic conditions affecting Lifeco's operations will continue substantially in their current state, including, without limitation, with respect to customer behaviour. Lifeco's reputation, market prices for products provided, sales levels, premium income, fee income, expense levels, mortality experience, morbidity experience, policy lapse rates, reinsurance, arrangements, liquidity requirements, capital requirements, credit ratings, taxes, inflation, interest and foreign exchange rates, investment values, hedging activities, global equity and capital markets, business competition and other general economic, political and market factors in North America and internationally. Many of these assumptions are based on factors and events that are not within the control of Lifeco and there is no assurance that they will prove to be correct. Other important factors and assumptions that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements include customer responses to new products, impairments of goodwill and other intangible assets, Lifeco's ability to execute strategic plans and changes to strategic plans, technological changes, breaches or failure of information systems and security (including cyber attacks), payments required under investment products, changes in local and international laws and regulations, changes in accounting policies and the effect of applying future accounting policy changes, unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings, catastrophic events, continuity and availability of personnel and third party service providers, Lifeco's ability to complete strategic transactions and integrate acquisitions and unplanned material changes to Lifeco's facilities, customer and employee relations or credit arrangements. The reader is cautioned that the foregoing list of assumptions and factors is not exhaustive, and there may be other factors listed in other filings with securities regulators, including factors set out in Lifeco's 2015 Annual MD&A under "Risk Management and Control Practices" and "Summary of Critical Accounting Estimates", which, along with other filings, is available for review at www.sedar.com. The reader is also cautioned to consider these and other factors, uncertainties and potential events carefully and not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Other than as specifically required by applicable law, Lifeco does not intend to update any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Cautionary note regarding Non-IFRS Financial Measures

This release contains some non-IFRS financial measures. Terms by which non-IFRS financial measures are identified include, but are not limited to, "operating earnings", "constant currency basis", "premiums and deposits", "sales", "assets under management", "assets under administration" and other similar expressions. Non-IFRS financial measures are used to provide management and investors with additional measures of performance to help assess results where no comparable IFRS measure exists. However, non-IFRS financial measures do not have standard meanings prescribed by IFRS and are not directly comparable to similar measures used by other companies. Please refer to the appropriate reconciliations of these non-IFRS financial measures to measures prescribed by IFRS.

Further information

Selected financial information is attached.

Great-West Lifeco's fourth quarter conference call and audio webcast will be held February 11, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. (ET). The call and webcast can be accessed through <u>www.greatwestlifeco.com</u> or by phone at:

- Participants in the Toronto area: 416-340-2216
- Participants from North America: 1-866-223-7781
- For International participants: Look up the dial-in information for your location here: <u>https://www.confsolutions.ca/ILT?oss=1P49R8662237781</u>

A replay of the call will be available from February 11, 2016 to February 18, 2016, and can be accessed by calling 1-800-408-3053 or 905-694-9451 in Toronto (passcode: 6396358#). The archived webcast will be available on <u>www.greatwestlifeco.com</u> from February 11, 2016 to February 10, 2017.

Additional information relating to Lifeco, including the 2015 audited consolidated financial statements, Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A), Annual Information Form (AIF) and CEO/CFO certification will be filed on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (unaudited)

(in Canadian \$ millions except per share amounts)

	As at or for the three months ended					For the twelve months ended					
	De	cember 31 2015	Se	eptember 30 2015	D	ecember 31 2014	December 31 2015			December 31 2014	
Premiums and deposits:											
Net premium income (Life insurance, guaranteed annuities and insured health products) Policyholder deposits (segregated funds):	\$	6,162	\$	5,891	\$	5,501	\$	24,501	\$	21,222	
Individual products		3,814		3,157		3,185		12,983		11,826	
Group products		2,001		2,738		1.955		8.609		9,083	
Self-funded premium equivalents (Administrative services only contracts) ⁽¹⁾		665		639		654		2,625		2,603	
Proprietary mutual funds and institutional deposits ⁽¹⁾		15,480		16,807		12,729		56,257		45,306	
Total premiums and deposits ⁽¹⁾		28,122		29,232		24,024		104,975		90,040	
Fee and other income Paid or credited to policyholders ⁽²⁾		1,333 5,532		1,241 5,833		1,161 8,125		5,058 22,842		4,422 29,160	
Earnings		,		,		,		,			
Net earnings - common shareholders Per common share	\$	683	\$	720	\$	657	\$	2,762	\$	2,546	
Basic earnings		0.688		0.724		0.658		2.774		2.549	
Dividends paid		0.3260		0.3260		0.3075		1.304		1.230	
Book value		20.07		19.40		16.80					
Return on common shareholders' equity ⁽³⁾											
Net earnings		14.7%)	15.2%	, D	15.7%					
Total assets	\$	399,935	\$	389,935	\$	356,709					
Proprietary mutual funds and institutional net assets ⁽⁴⁾		252,480		239,050		216,271					
Total assets under management ⁽⁴⁾		652,415		628,985		572,980					
Other assets under administration ⁽⁵⁾		560,102		524,813		490,353					
Total assets under administration	\$	1,212,517	\$	1,153,798	\$	1,063,333					
Total equity	\$	25,260	\$	24,534	\$	21,897					

(1) In addition to premiums and deposits reported in the financial statements, the Company includes premium equivalents on self-funded group insurance administrative services only (ASO) contracts and deposits on proprietary mutual funds and institutional accounts to calculate total premiums and deposits (a non-IFRS financial measure). This measure provides useful information as it is an indicator of top line growth.

⁽²⁾ Paid or credited to policyholders includes the impact of changes in fair values of assets supporting insurance and investment contract liabilities.

(3) Return on common shareholders' equity is detailed within the "Capital Allocation Methodology" section of the Company's December 31, 2015 Management's Discussion and Analysis.

⁽⁴⁾ Total assets under management (a non-IFRS financial measure) provides an indicator of the size and volume of the overall business of the Company. Services provided in respect of assets under management include the selection of investments, the provision of investment advice and discretionary portfolio management on behalf of clients. This includes internally and externally managed funds where the Company has oversight over the investment policies.

(5) Other assets under administration (a non-IFRS financial measure) includes assets where the Company only provides administration services for which the Company earns fee and other income. These assets are beneficially owned by clients and the Company does not direct the investing activities. Services provided relating to assets under administration includes recordkeeping, safekeeping, collecting investment income, settling of transactions or other administrative services. Administrative services are an important aspect of the overall business of the Company and should be considered when comparing volumes, size and trends.



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (unaudited) (in Canadian \$ millions except per share amounts)

		For the three months ended December 31			For the years ended December 31		
		2015	2014		2015	2014	
Income							
Premium income							
Gross premiums written	\$	7,117 \$	6.402	\$	28,129 \$	24.686	
Ceded premiums	•	(955)	(901)	*	(3,628)	(3,464)	
Total net premiums		6,162	5,501		24,501	21,222	
Net investment income		,			,	,	
Regular net investment income		1,670	1,516		6,271	6,010	
Changes in fair value through profit or loss		(844)	2,545		(2,010)	7,527	
Total net investment income		826	4,061		4,261	13,537	
Fee and other income		1,333	1,161		5,058	4,422	
		8,321	10,723		33,820	39,181	
Benefits and expenses			· · · · ·		ŕ	· · · · ·	
Policyholder benefits							
Gross		6,060	5,335		22,553	19,363	
Ceded		(546)	(513)		(2,000)	(1,928)	
Total net policyholder benefits		5,514	4,822		20,553	17,435	
Policyholder dividends and experience refunds		321	369		1,477	1,496	
Changes in insurance and investment contract liabilities		(303)	2,934		812	10,229	
Total paid or credited to policyholders		5,532	8,125		22,842	29,160	
Commissions		584	514		2,218	2,084	
Operating and administrative expenses		1,175	1,005		4,466	3,741	
Premium taxes		92	86		339	339	
Financing charges		73	77		303	304	
Amortization of finite life intangible assets		37	34		146	132	
Restructuring and acquisition expenses		7	7		35	32	
Earnings before income taxes		821	875		3,471	3,389	
Income taxes		66	164		460	628	
Net earnings before non-controlling interests		755	711		3,011	2,761	
Attributable to non-controlling interests		41	23		123	93	
Net earnings		714	688		2,888	2,668	
Preferred share dividends		31	31		126	122	
Net earnings - common shareholders	\$	683 \$	657	\$	2,762 \$	2,546	
Earnings per common share							
Basic	\$	0.688 \$	0.658	\$	2.774 \$	2.549	
Diluted	\$	0.686 \$	0.657	\$	2.768 \$	2.546	



CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (unaudited)

(in Canadian \$ millions)

		December	31
		2015	2014
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,813 \$	2,498
Bonds		114,943	103,168
Mortgage loans		22,021	20,546
Stocks		7,873	7,820
Investment properties		5,237	4,613
Loans to policyholders		8,694	7,711
		161,581	146,356
Funds held by ceding insurers		15,512	12,154
Goodwill		5,913	5,855
Intangible assets		4,036	3,625
Derivative financial instruments		461	652
Owner occupied properties		653	619
Fixed assets		298	228
Other assets		2,643	2,368
Premiums in course of collection, accounts and interest receivable		3,553	3,056
Reinsurance assets		5,131	5,151
Current income taxes		69	48
Deferred tax assets		1,891	1,631
Investments on account of segregated fund policyholders		198,194	174,966
Total assets	\$	399,935 \$	356,709
Liabilities	•	450 400 0	445 400
Insurance contract liabilities	\$	158,492 \$	145,198
Investment contract liabilities		2,180	857
Debentures and other debt instruments		5,395	5,355
Capital trust securities		161	162
Funds held under reinsurance contracts		356	313
Derivative financial instruments		2,624	1,195
Accounts payable		1,755	1,480
Other liabilities		3,367	3,099
Current income taxes		492	737
Deferred tax liabilities		1,659	1,450
Investment and insurance contracts on account of segregated fund policyholders		198,194	174,966
Total liabilities		374,675	334,812
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Equity			
Non-controlling interests			
Participating account surplus in subsidiaries		2,611	2,480
Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries		195	163
Shareholders' equity			
Share capital			
Preferred shares		2,514	2,514
Common shares		7,156	7,102
Accumulated surplus		10,431	9,134
Accumulated other comprehensive income		2,218	378
Contributed surplus		135	126
Total equity		25,260	21,897
Total liabilities and equity	\$	399,935 \$	356,709
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Segmented Information (unaudited)

Consolidated Net Earnings

For the three months ended December 31, 2015

	Canada		United States	Europe	Lifeco Corporate	Total
Income						
Total net premiums Net investment income	\$	3,023 \$	1,148 \$	\$ 1,991	\$ — \$	6,162
Regular net investment income		654	471	547	(2)	1,670
Changes in fair value through profit or loss		(7)	(320)	(517)		(844)
Total net investment income		647	151	30	(2)	826
Fee and other income		369	637	327		1,333
		4,039	1,936	2,348	(2)	8,321
Benefits and expenses						
Paid or credited to policyholders		2,799	1,084	1,649	—	5,532
Other ⁽¹⁾		819	674	354	4	1,851
Financing charges		29	37	7	—	73
Amortization of finite life intangible assets		16	17	4	—	37
Restructuring and acquisition expenses			4	3		7
Earnings (loss) before income taxes		376	120	331	(6)	821
Income taxes (recovery)		70	(8)	5	(1)	66
Net earnings (loss) before non-controlling interests		306	128	326	(5)	755
Non-controlling interests		40	2	(1)	—	41
Net earnings (loss)		266	126	327	(5)	714
Preferred share dividends		25	—	6	—	31
Net earnings (loss) before capital allocation		241	126	321	(5)	683
Impact of capital allocation		21	(1)	(18)	(2)	_
Net earnings (loss) - common shareholders	\$	262 \$	125 \$	\$ 303	\$ (7) \$	683



For the three months ended December 31, 2014

	Canada		Canada S		Europe		Lifeco Corporate		Total
Income									
Total net premiums	\$	2,839	\$	855	\$	1,807	\$	— \$	5,501
Net investment income				074					4 5 4 0
Regular net investment income		638		371		507			1,516
Changes in fair value through profit or loss Total net investment income		695		217		1,633		—	2,545
		1,333		588 522		2,140			4,061
Fee and other income		349				290			1,161
		4,521		1,965		4,237			10,723
Benefits and expenses									
Paid or credited to policyholders		3,327		1,229		3,569		_	8,125
Other ⁽¹⁾		747		556		298		4	1,605
Financing charges		28		35		13		1	77
Amortization of finite life intangible assets		14		15		5		—	34
Restructuring and acquisition expenses		_				7		<u> </u>	7
Earnings (loss) before income taxes		405		130		345		(5)	875
Income taxes (recovery)		83		35		48		(2)	164
Net earnings (loss) before non-controlling								(-)	
interests		322		95		297		(3)	711
Non-controlling interests		24		2		(3)		—	23
Net earnings (loss)		298		93		300		(3)	688
Preferred share dividends		23		—		6		2	31
Net earnings (loss) before capital allocation		275		93		294		(5)	657
Impact of capital allocation		25		(4))	(20)		(1)	
Net earnings (loss) - common shareholders	\$	300	\$	89	\$	274	\$	(6) \$	657



For the twelve months ended December 31, 2015

	Canada		United States	Europe	Lifeco Corporate	Total
Income						
Total net premiums	\$	11,303 \$	3,858	\$ 9,340	\$ —	\$ 24,501
Net investment income					-	
Regular net investment income		2,512	1,676	2,081	2	6,271
Changes in fair value through profit or loss		(358)	(532)	(1,120)		(2,010)
Total net investment income		2,154	1,144	961	2	4,261
Fee and other income		1,459	2,378	1,221		5,058
		14,916	7,380	11,522	2	33,820
Benefits and expenses						
Paid or credited to policyholders		9,991	4,138	8,713	—	22,842
Other ⁽¹⁾		3,143	2,515	1,349	16	7,023
Financing charges		116	144	42	1	303
Amortization of finite life intangible assets		59	69	18	—	146
Restructuring and acquisition expenses		—	12	23	—	35
Earnings (loss) before income taxes		1,607	502	1,377	(15)	3,471
Income taxes (recovery)		285	77	105	(7)	460
Net earnings (loss) before non-controlling interests		1,322	425	1,272	(8)	3,011
Non-controlling interests		111	10	2	_	123
Net earnings (loss)		1,211	415	1,270	(8)	2,888
Preferred share dividends		103	—	23	—	126
Net earnings (loss) before capital allocation		1,108	415	1,247	(8)	2,762
Impact of capital allocation		87	(6)	(73)	(8)	_
Net earnings (loss) - common shareholders	\$	1,195 \$	409	\$ 1,174	\$ (16)	\$ 2,762



For the twelve months ended December 31, 2014

	Canada				United States							Total
Income												
Total net premiums	\$	10,883	\$	3,527	\$	6,812	\$	— \$	21,222			
Net investment income												
Regular net investment income		2,548		1,420		2,045		(3)	6,010			
Changes in fair value through profit or loss		2,588		784		4,155			7,527			
Total net investment income		5,136		2,204		6,200		(3)	13,537			
Fee and other income		1,409		1,820		1,193			4,422			
		17,428		7,551		14,205		(3)	39,181			
Benefits and expenses												
Paid or credited to policyholders		12,676		4,901		11,583		_	29,160			
Other ⁽¹⁾		2,916		1,994		1,237		17	6,164			
Financing charges		115		140		48		1	304			
Amortization of finite life intangible assets		55		57		20		_	132			
Restructuring and acquisition expenses		_		3		29		_	32			
Earnings (loss) before income taxes		1,666		456		1,288		(21)	3,389			
Income taxes (recovery)		355		128		150		(5)	628			
Net earnings (loss) before non-controlling												
interests		1,311		328		1,138		(16)	2,761			
Non-controlling interests		88		6		(1)		_	93			
Net earnings (loss)		1,223		322		1,139		(16)	2,668			
Preferred share dividends		93				23		6	122			
Net earnings (loss) before capital allocation		1,130		322		1,116		(22)	2,546			
Impact of capital allocation		98		(16))	(78)		(4)				
Net earnings (loss) - common shareholders	\$	1,228	\$	306	\$	1,038	\$	(26) \$	2,546			